

I. AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend lines 5 and 6 on page 1 as follows:

--This is a divisional of U.S. Patent Appl. No. 09/285,055, now U.S. Patent No. 6,352,848, filed April 2, 1999, which claims priority to German Patent Appl. No. 198 14 813.5 filed April 2, 1998, the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference.—

Please insert the following passage at line 11 on page 6 of the specification.

--Brief Description of Figures

Figure 1: Plasmid pAW178-2 is a 5.5 kb plasmid containing the *Arthrobacter aureescens*' *hyuC* gene in the proper orientation under the rhamnose promoter of vector pJOE2702 (Volff et al., 1996).

Figure 2: Standard activity assay of the isolated recombinant *Arthrobacter aureescens* N-L-carbamoylase enzyme isolated from *E.coli*. The N-L-carbamoylase was isolated after cell maceration and ion exchange chromatography on Streamline DEAE and MonoQ media. N-L-carbamoylase activity was determined by reacting with the substrate N-carbamoyl-L-tryptophan over 100 hours wherein the concentration of the amino acid tryptophan was determined in order to calculate N-L carbamoylase activity.--

Please amend the following passage at line 17 on page 12 of the specification.

--Oligonucleotide: 5'-ATGTT(C/T)GA(T/C)GT(A/C/T/G)AT(A/C/T)GT-

3' (SEQ ID NO: 3) --

Please amend the following passage at line 4 on page 15 of the specification.

--S956: 5'-AGAACATATGTTTGACGTAATAGTTAAGAA-3' (SEQ ID NO: 4)

S957: 5'-AAAAGGATCCTCACTTCGACGCCTCGTA-3' (SEQ ID NO:5)--